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Soundings

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Dear Friends In Christ,

By The Rev. Dorcas Wang, ELCA Global Mission Pastor

Greetings to you in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

I am sure that you saw at *Soundings,* August 2008, a picture of the Rev. Michael Ross, pastor at Edmonds Lutheran in Edmonds; Malcolm McCallum, congregation president; and me on my last Sunday at Edmonds Lutheran Church. Yes, I am heading off to China to serve the church there. Or, I would like to say that I am returning back to my homeland, China, to serve our God by serving the people there.

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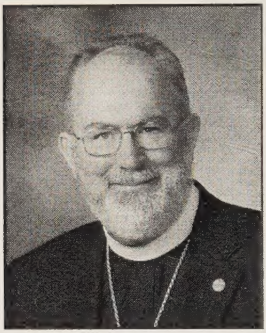

And this is my prayer: that your love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight, so that you may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless until the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ—to the glory and praise of God.
Philippians 1: 9-11 NIV

I have received a couple of inquiries about the synod's position on Initiative 1000. The "death with dignity" initiative will be on the ballot in November. This is an important decision that affects both our faith and our li together. I want to encourage your prayerful study and dialog about this decision.

This is one of those topics that is the subject of a message from the Church and Society unit of this church. In November 1992 the ELCA Church Council adopted "a message on end of life decisions." This message is available for your study at http://archive.elca.org/social statements/endoflifedecisions/. Additional links on this page will lead you to a report on how this initiative has been implemented in Oregon and to the ELCA Social Statement on Health Care. All of these resources are available for your use in this dialog.

The initiative does address issues of pain and suffering associated with a terminal illness. It is hard to enter into a thoughtful discussion with such emotional edges pulling at us. When it comes to making law, it is important that our thoughts accompany our emotions. The full impacts of our decisions are not fully seen at the time we mark the ballot. In issues that deal with human life, it is important that our thinking be clear and our decisions be guided by God who created life in the first place. There is a time to be born and a time to die. How that is determined is currently out of our control. This initiative could affect that fact.

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I know that some in our state object to the churches of the state addressing this issue. Our colleagues in the Roman Catholic Church are very clear in their opposition to the initiative. Our social teachings raise serious questions about physician assisted suicide. I want to encourage you to listen to your faith and conscience as you exercise your responsibilities as a citizen.

The message on the end of life would be a good topic for a congregational forum. Often we are accused of addressing issues that are of no interest to the culture. This time the culture has chosen to act on an issue for which we have a message. I encourage you to read the message, reflect on it and then cast your vote. As the subject comes up around the water cooler or in the neighborhood gathering, feel free to share these resources with your friends. Luther spoke of God's creating, sustaining and providing for me and all that exists. How this work of God will be done among us is part of the vote in November.

Editor's Note: Please see related article on page 6 of this issue of Soundings.

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accompaniment model, the ELCA has built a good relationship with the Church in China. With many of my responsibilities, this call is to be one more connecting point in our accompaniment with the Church in China.

I am grateful to be chosen for this exciting ministry. I hope that you are excited about this new mission opportunity in China as well. I invite you to be partner with us in this exciting ministry in China.

If you want to know more about this work, please feel free to contact me at gazelle05@hotmail.com. I will be happy to meet and share with you and your congregation. If your congregation is interested in providing financial support to the ELCA Global Mission on my behalf, please contact the Rev. Twila Schock, Director for Global Mission Support, atTwila. Schock@elca.org or visit the ELCAGlobal Mission Support, at http://archive.elca.org/globalmission/. There are many opportunities to offer this kind of support.

As a sister in Christ from China, I thank God for you, your partnership in the Gospel and your hearts for God's mission around the world. I am blessed by your fellowship in Christ Jesus. Please do pray for the ministries in China and myself. Your support in God's mission is greatly needed and deeply appreciated.

愿上帝祝福您们 (May God bless you *in Chinese.*)
Together serving our Lord, Jesus Christ, *Dorcas Wang*

A Slightly Different Look

Have you noticed the slightly different look of ***Soundings***? First things first. I have redesigned the layout to take advantage of the lower postage rates that accomodate this size. I am still working on other options to read synod news on-line. (Of course, the *Sounding and The Spirit* are still available on line.) Please let me know what you think of the new look at: margit@lutheransnw.org.

Team Russia Gatherings

Renate Schweizer, Evangelical Lutheran Church of European Russia (ELCER) in Moscow, will be visiting the Seattle area in October.

Team Russia, our companion synod task force, will be holding a potluck at 5:30 p.m. on Sunday, October 12, at Grace Lutheran, 9625 NE 8th Street, Bellevue. This will be a great opportunity to learn more about ELCER, our companion congregations in Russia and *Team Russia*. For more information, contact Eva Mader at evamader@aol.com or 425-453-1071.

Please hold the date: Trinity Lutheran in Freeland will be hosting a performance by the *Vladimir Girls Choir from Vladimir, Russia,* on Thursday, Oct. 30. A time will be announced later.

Set-Back

Ethiopian Companion Synod

Editor's Note: On August 17 Fred Robbins, Ethiopia Companion Synod task force, received the following email from Dereje Jemberu, Vice President of the Mekane Yesus church:

"Our shop, its income was supporting the family and enabled me to serve our Lord Jesus Christ with no dependency on the church, burnt yesterday at about 10 p.m. in the evening. It is a loss of more than 120,000 (one hundred twenty thousand birr, i.e. equivalent to 10,000 USD). We have no idea for casing fires. We know that it is not from inside. However, I feel to share this sad incident, which brought to the family sorrow, to you our brothers and sisters so that you join us in prayers. As we don't know God's will in this, please remember us in your prayers. This is the critical moment, we need and want to see our friends standing on our side."

For more information or how your congregation can help please contact Fred Robbins, member, Ethiopian Companion Synod Task Force, at fred@robbinsmetal.com.

State Advocate's Corner

by Rev. Paul Benz
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Greetings advocates. By the time this reaches you the general election on Nov. 4 will not be far away. LPPO (Lutheran Public Policy Office) urges you to be a well informed voter, go to candidate forums or issue based forums – have your congregation host one. As promised last month LPPO will give a very brief analysis on two of the **three statewide initiatives**. Complete texts of these initiatives can be found by going to the internet to www.secstate.wa.gov.

• ***Initiative 1000*** concerns allowing certain terminally ill competent adults to obtain lethal prescriptions. This initiative was filed by the *death with dignity* advocates who want to have a law similar to Oregon state that would allow a competent individual, who is medically found to be terminally ill (has six months or less to live), to end their life via a physician's prescription of a lethal medication. Criminal and civil immunity for those involved is provided. For more info on the pro position email campaign@itsmydecision.org.

One of the primary opponents to this is the Washington State Catholic Conference, who believes this measure is physician assisted suicide. For more info on this position go to their excellent web site at www.thewscc.org.

The ELCA has a message entitled *End of Life Decisions* as a part of our social policy. This was adopted by our Churchwide church council in 1992. To view this statement online go to www.elca.org/socialstatements, or contact the LPPO office and we will mail you one or more copies. Also, the ELCA department of studies has a *working report* written in 2001 entitled *Physician Assisted Suicide and Lutherans in Oregon* that is an

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excellent analysis of both points of view in that state.

LPPO council decided to not take a position on this but encourages congregations to have voter education forums on ballot issues and would be willing to help plan and facilitate these.

Initiative 1029 concerns long-term care services for the elderly and persons with disabilities. This initiative, if passed, would require long-term care workers to be certified home care aides based on a written exam, require more training hours for certification (from 34 to 75 hours) and an increased current criminal background checks. It would also exempt nursing home, hospital based, adult day care and hospice based long-term care workers as well as unpaid volunteer caregivers.

The LPPO council agreed to continue its support of this measure which it did when it was in bill form during this past legislative session based on our social statements on Economic Life (better pay standards for low income workers) and Caring for Health: Our Shared Endeavor (all people in society are to receive quality care that is affordable). LPPO apologizes that upon the writing of this no opponents contact info could be found.

Dinner and Auction

ighth Annual Dinner and Auction from 5 to 30 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 8, at the Brockey enter on the South Seattle Community ollege Campus (a college known for its fine ulinary Department). More information will e available soon. If you have a donation that you would ke to make, please call 206-528-7422.

Ordination of Abigail d'Ambruoso

The blessing of Abigail d'Ambruoso by Bishop Boerger.

The ordination of Abigail d'Ambruoso was held at Trinity Lutheran Church in Oakland, Calif. She has accepted a call at Faith Lutheran in Seattle. The Rev. Nancy Winder, pastor at Faith Lutheran in Seattle, attended the ordination as others from our synod.

Lest We Forget

by The Rev. Bjoern E. Meinhardt, pastor Vashon Lutheran, Vashon Island

Many of us may have heard or read about the desecration of Havurat Ee Schalom, the Jewish Synagogue on Vashon Island. I was saddened and greatly appalled by this act of hate. This criminal act cannot be watered down by simply calling it a *juvenile prank.* It needs to be taken seriously, for it harbors dangerous consequences, which come out of religious intolerance, ignorance and indifference. True the faith in Jesus separates us Christians from our Jewish neighbors. However, we must not forget that Jesus was "born of a [Jewish] woman, under the [Jewish] law.

It was good to see that the community stood up against this expression of hate; stood in solidarity with the Jewish Community. When I stood on the corner of Bank Road and Vashon Hwy for the vigil on Aug. 1, I was amazed that one perpetrator had the power to bring together more than 100 people.

The Spirit

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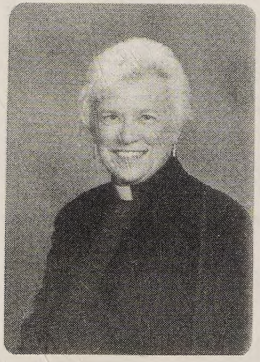
New Life In The Waters Of Baptism

by The Rev. Jan Nesse, Assistant to the Bishop



When Jesus spoke the words recorded in Matthew 28:19-20 "*Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them all that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, to the close of the age,*" he was speaking to his disciples

disciples does not need to be a distasteful task. Forget the tracts, the talking to strangers, the image of maudlin "testimonies" about being saved. The most effective evangelism happens much closer to home.

The Book of Faith initiative encourages congregations to make a plan for Bible Study for every member. Congregations have developed creative and spiritually uplifting ways to emphasize the Bible. Ask the other congregations around what they are doing

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Rev. Michael Ross, pastor at Edmonds Lutheran in Edmonds (right); Malcolm McCallum, congregation president (left); and the Rev. Dorcas Wang (center).

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raised to new life in the waters of baptism would include themselves in that group as well. The command to make disciples was also a command to each of us.

The call to make disciples is the one thing that should be a part of every congregation's mission statement. It usually is, and if we are making disciples, our congregations will be growing. If we are making disciples, our congregations will be equipping people for ministry in whatever life stage they are in, our congregations will be nurturing and strengthening the faith of their members with Bible studies and activities that challenge and support faith, and the members of our congregations will be inviting their friends, neighbors, and acquaintances to join them in the one thing that has made a difference in their life. If we are making disciples, the communities in which we live will change as well. Being a disciple is truly a leaven and in a culture that more and more isolates itself in cars, behind computer screens, and inside fenced yards and gated communities, the leavening is more important than ever.

It sounds like I'm talking about the dreaded "E" word – evangelism. And I am…but making part of it.

Lutherans do a lot of good things in the community that most people don't even know about. So another way to make Christ known and make disciples is to sign up as a congregation to sponsor a table at one of the fund raisers for Lutheran agencies and organizations and learn how "our hands" are doing "God's work." Then invite friends who don't really know what you and other Lutherans are all about.

But making disciples within your own home can be the most fun of all. Organize your Sabbath day in a way that includes celebrating who you are and whose you are. Invite someone to share the day with you and your family as you practice the rituals and activities of the day. Ideas abound on celebrating the Sabbath in numerous resources but if you make your own rituals and practices they will be easier to share.

As we move into this 21st century, if we can focus of our attention on "making disciples" rather than "building our church," our churches will grow with the excitement and challenge of being disciples of Jesus Christ.

Financial Workshop

For Our Congregations

The Northwest Washington Synod Finance Committee will hold their annual Congregational Financial Workshop on Saturday, Nov. 1. All congregational financial leaders are invited to participate at this workshop.

The workshop will be held at Prince of Peace Lutheran, 14514 20th Ave NE, Shoreline. Registration and coffee will begin at 8:30 a.m. with the workshop beginning promptly at 8:50 a.m. and ending at noon. The program will include presentations and discussions on financial policies, controls, audits, financial reporting, budgets, payroll and taxes as they relate to congregations. Treasurers, Financial Secretaries, Bookkeepers, Finance Committee Members and Pastors are encouraged to attend.

In order to assist you to make this a more helpful workshop, you may send specific topics you would like to have discussed to Janet Shadle, member of the Finance Committee, at jesgetc@aol.com; telephone 425-712-8257; or fax to 425-712-8258. There will be a time for questions and answers and sharing between treasurers so you can find out what is working in other congregations.

Bishop's Fall Convo

The Northwest Washington Synod Bishop's Convocation will be held Sunday, Oct. 19, through Tuesday, Oct 21, at Harrison Hot Springs Resort and Spa in British Columbia.

This year's speaker is the Reverend Doctor Barbara Rossing from the Lutheran School of Theology in Chicago (LSTC). The three-part presentation at this year's Convo is called: *The Fierce Urgency of Now: Climate Change, the Bible and Our Future.* Registration closed in mid-September. Remember, identification is required to return to the U.S.

Preaching In A Time of Lament

Preaching in a time of Lament is the title for the Byberg Preaching Workshop 2009, which will be held January 19 - 21 at Cannon Beach, Oregon.

How shall we preach in times of loss and grief? When lives and ministries end, people and nations are engulfed in tragedies and traumas, and the world is drowning, how might God's people of faith give voice to despair, challenge, and hope? In this workshop we will explore multiple God-given resources for preaching in times of lament—Bible, liturgy, prayer and spirituality and pastoral care.

Speakers are: Kathleen D. (Kadi) Billman, LSTC Dean and VP of Academic Affairs, Professor of Pastoral Theology; and Ralph W. Klein, LSTC Old Testament professor emeritus.

Watch for registration form next month and/or check out the calendar on the synod's website.

Dedication

Trinity Lutheran College

Trinity Lutheran College cordially invites you to attend the dedication of their new campus in Everett from 2 to 3:30 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 11, at the Everett Performing Arts Center, 2710 Wetmore Ave., Everett.

Featured speaker will be the Rev. Wm. Chris Boerger, Bishop.

An Open House at their new campus location will be held immediately after the dedication at the college's new location: 2802 Wetmore Ave, Everett. Street parking is available as well as covered parking in the Port Gardner Parking Garage directly across from the campus.

(On Wednesday, Sept. 10, Dr. Jeff Mallinson, Academic Dean, convened the 65th academic year.)

TRINITY LUTHERAN COLLEGE

Here 'n There

- **Luther Memorial in Seattle** will hold a special congregational meeting on September 21 to vote on the proposed sale of the church property to Foss Home and Village in exchange for cash and three lots on which to build a new church.
- **Northlake Lutheran in Kenmore** recently had a break-in. Damage was isolated but this is a reminder that we need to be careful.
- Salem Village in Mount Vernon is beginning a new project: *condo style* housing north of the Highland Greens Senior Apartments. (Salem Village is an outreach of **Salem Lutheran Church in Mount Vernon** providing low-income housing.) Expected completion is late 2008 or early 2009.
- **The Rev. Jocelyn Carson** will be installed at Trinity Lutheran in Everett at 4 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 21. The congregation invites you to attend.
- **Our Redeemer Lutheran in Seattle** will celebrate the shared ministry of Crown Lutheran, Lutheran Alliance to Create Housing (LATCH) and Lutheran Youth of North Seattle (LYONS) on Sunday, Sept. 21. The celebration highlights the 50 year history of Crown as a congregation as well as its visionary legacy to transfer its property to LATCH. Worship is at 4 p.m., a barbecue at 4:30 p.m. and a Closing Worship at 5:30 p.m.
- **First Lutheran in Bothell** opened a preschool on Monday, Sept. 15 and will hold an adoption shower during the education hour on Sunday, Sept. 28. (First Lutheran has adopted the satellite preschool that had been located in their church for many years.)
- This year's Greenwood Car Show was a huge success and **Phinney Ridge Lutheran in Seattle** was once again in the middle of the chaos. The congregation extended hospitality of warm welcomes, coffee and lots of goodies to more than 15,000 neighbors.

Within Our Family

We continue to hold in our prayers:

- † **Paul Anderson, Associate in Ministry**
- † **Howard Boerger, father of Bishop Chris Boerger**
- † **The Rev. John Ericksen and his wife, Marita**
- † **Arlett Nordsletten, widow of Pastor Olin Nordsletten**
- † **The Rev. Norris Stoa (ret.)**
- † **The Rev. Malcolm Unseth (ret.)**
- † **The Rev. Dick Wendt (ret.)**
- † **The Rev. Paul Wuest**

We pray for:

† **The Rev. Sai Wai Pau(Paul) Cheung.** Pastor Paul and his wife, Wern Chew, are pastors at Grace Chinese Lutheran Church in Seattle. Pastor Paul Cheung recently underwent a liver transplant. He is now at home. Cards may be sent to: Grace Chinese, PO Box 75066, Seattle, WA 98175.

† **For the family of Cy Lear, father of Pamela Nel and father-in-law of the Rev. Dr. Michael Nel, Director of Consultation to Clergy.** Cy suffered kidney failure and is near death. He lives with his wife in a Lutheran Seniors Home in British Columbia, Canada. Cards may be sent to: Pamela and Michael Nel, 563 Bremerton Place, Renton, WA 98059.

† **For the family of the Rev. Pam Russell, pastor at Prince of Peace in Shoreline,** and for her husband Gary Sievert. Gary's mother recently passed away and Pastor Russell's father is seriously ill. Cards may be sent to: Prince of Peace Lutheran, 14514 - 20th Ave NE, Shoreline, WA 98155.

† **The family of Sue and Jim Logghe.** Jim's son, Craig Logghe, passed away suddenly on August 13. Sue is an Associate in Ministry, on leave from call. Cards may be

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Within Our Family

send to Sue and Jim Logghe, 1109 Undine St, Bellingham, WA 98229.

The family of the Rev. Robert Rieke (ret). The Rev. Rieke passed away on September 3. He was 90 years old. His wife, Gladys, lives in Bellingham. Pastor Rieke started Glendale Evangelical Lutheran Church in Burien and served there for 40 years. A memorial service was held at Glendale Evangelical Lutheran on September 6. Cards may be sent to: Gladys Rieke; 4415 Columbine Drive; Bellingham, WA 98226-8039. † **The family of the Rev. Ed Kasten (ret).** The Rev. Kasten died on August 9 at Foss Home at the age of 95. Following Ed's wishes a memorial service was held immediately following the 9:30 am service at Maple Leaf Lutheran in Seattle on August 24. He served in congregations in Idaho, Oregon and Washington. Memorials may be given in Pastor Kasten's name to Maple Leaf. He has two children Carol and Timothy. Cards may be sent to Tim Kasten, 6821 28th Ave NE, Seattle, WA 98115.

For the family of Bethany Joy Patrow, granddaughter of **the Rev. Roger and Arlette Patrow (ret).** Bethany Joy passed away at the age of 15 days. A memorial service was held in Walla Walla. Cards may be sent to : The Rev. Roger and Arlette Patrow, 3703 Trumpeter Ct, Mount Vernon, WA 98272.

For Erma Lee, Associate in Ministry, (ret.). Her husband, Dick, recently passed away. Cards may be sent to: 3001 NE 115th St, Seattle WA 98125.

rayers of thanksgiving:

Pastor Mikkel Hustad, St. Peter Lutheran in Clinton, is home following hospitalization to fight an infection.

Brelin, daughter-in-law of the Rev. Jim Rismiller, pastor at Lord of Life Lutheran in Renton, is doing much better after she was diagnosed with ongoing health problems.

Northwest Washington Synod Transitions

	Location/Event	Effective Date
Calls Accepted		
Joceyln Carson	Trinity, Everett	8/10/2008
Abigail d'Ambruoso	Faith, Seattle	9/4/2008
Daniel A Sorensen	Prince of Peace, SeaTac	9/7/2008
Installations		
Jocelyn Carson	Trinity, Everett	9/21/2008
Abigail d'Ambruoso	Faith, Seattle	9/7/2008
Daniel A Sorensen	Prince of Peace, SeaTac	9/21/2008
Ordinations/Commissionings/ Consecrations		
Abigail d'Ambruoso	Trinity Lutheran, Oakland, Calif	8/23/2008
Daniel A Sorensen	Holy Trinity, Chicago, Ill	8/9/2008
Retirements		
Randy Grauer	Christ the Servant, Bellingham	10/1/2008
Mark Johnson	First Evangelical, Mount Vernon	9/1/2008
Estelle Morley, Associate in Ministry	Lutheran Memorial, Seattle	10/1/2008
Lowell E Stime	Trinity Lutheran College	8/1/2008
Transfers In/Out of Synod		
Mark Saline	Southeastern Iowa Synod	9/1/2008
Kemp Segerhammar	Sierra Pacific Synod	7/1/2008
Linda Larson	Oregon Synod	9/1/2008
Closings		
Crown, Seattle		7/20/2008

ditor's Note: For the most up-to-date listing of transitions and mobility please visit our ebsite at www.lutheransnw.org and click on Leadership. That website page is updated eekly, when necessary.

Northwest Washington Synod Mobility

n Call Process	Position	Status	Current, Interim/Supply Pastor
Arlington, Our Saviour	PR	TR	Marillyn Schultz Rothermel, Interim
Bainbridge Island, Bethany	PR	TR	Andrew Yee, Co-Pastor; Dennis Shaffert, Interim, Co-Pastor
Bellingham, Christ the Servant	PR	NV	Jim Miley, Interim
Bothell, First Evangelical	PR	TR	Doug Stensby, Interim
Bothell, Light of the Cross	PR	TR	Cindy Salo, Interim
Burlington, Burlington	PR	TR	Michael Swain, Interim
Edmonds, Edmonds	A	P	Michael Ross, Pastor
Everett, Zion	PR	TR	Mitch Watney, Supply
Everson, Immanuel	PR	TR	Mary Bosell, Interim
Marysville, Bethlehem	PR	C	Dick Wendt, Interim
Mercer Island, Holy Trinity	PR	I	Kathleen Anderson, Interim
Mount Vernon, First Evangelical	PR	NV	Jennifer Schultz, Associate Pastor; Linda Larson, Interim
Mount Vernon, Salem	A/SP	TR	Kevin Forquer, Pastor
Mukilteo, Harbour Pointe	PR	NV	Interim Pending
North Bend, Mount Si	PR	TR	Tim Wolbrecht, Interim
Seattle, Gethsemane	PR	TR	Maynard Atik, Interim
Seattle, Luther Memorial	PR	TR	Karen Hanson, Interim
Seattle, St Paul's of Shorewood	PR	TR	Supply

Mobility Position Key:
R = Pastor
= Associate
IM = Associate in Ministry
M = Diaconal Minister
/SP = Associate with Special
mphasis contact Synod Office)

Mobility Status Key:
I = Interviewing
C = Calling
NV = New Vacancy
V = Vacancy
SC = Synod Call
TR = Transition process
P = Profile presented (receiving nominations)
TR/DO = Div for Outreach Transformation Process

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